

A Word from Minnesota Power

Our construction team has made great progress since you last heard from us! We hit a major milestone in the project by completing foundation installation in all segments. We'll continue setting structures and stringing wire throughout segments 1 and 4. Work also continues at the Iron Range Substation in Segment 4. Look inside to learn more about the construction progress, right-of-way tips and tricks, and safety precautions you can take if you plan to participate in this year's hunting season.

? DID YOU KNOW?

While the cultural and historical site surveys were underway as part of Section 106 of the National

Historic Preservation Act requirements, our crews made a remarkable discovery. The ruins of a small log cabin stood at the edge of an immense swamp within Pine Island State Forest. If you haven't already, visit the project website to watch a short video our team put together after discovering the John Frosch cabin.

Thank you for your ongoing collaboration on this important project for Minnesota Power and our region. We always welcome suggestions for topics to include in future newsletters. Please use the project contact information to reach out if you have any questions.

- Jim Atkinson Environmental & Real Estate Manager



John Frosch Cabin.



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Visit the Project Website:

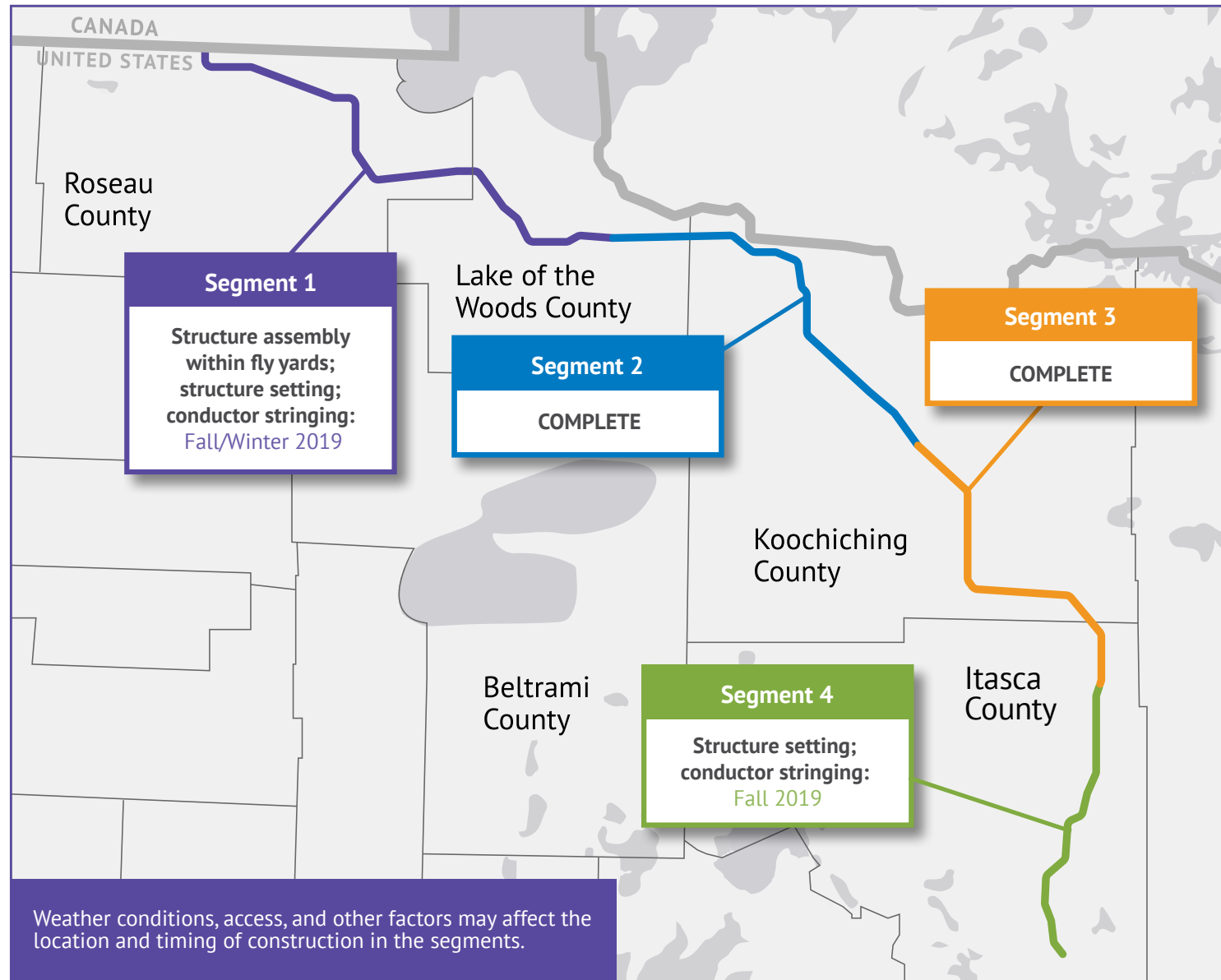
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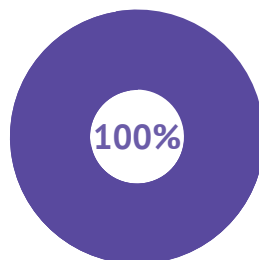
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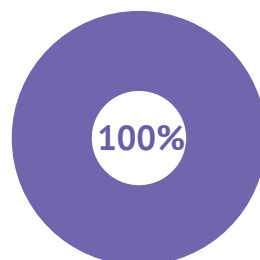
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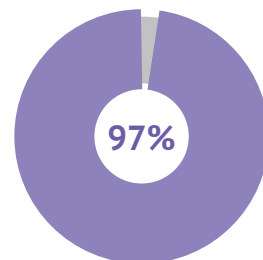
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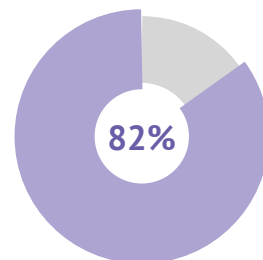
Foundations



Structure Setting










Conductor Stringing



Right-of-Way Tips & Tricks

As construction nears completion in several segments, our team will begin restoring the right-of-way (ROW), yards, and roads. Here are some friendly reminders about the activities permitted within the ROW:

-  Agricultural lands can continue to be farmed.
-  Recreational uses of the property continue to be permissible.
-  Landowners may fence across the ROW if a gate is included to allow Minnesota Power access.
-  Some low-growing vegetation may be allowed following construction.
-  Buildings and other structures are not permitted within the ROW.
-  Modification to the existing land grade are not permitted within the ROW.
-  Storage of flammable materials is not permitted within the ROW.

In general, the land can continue to be used as before if it does not interfere with the ongoing operation and maintenance of the transmission line. We encourage landowners to contact their land agent to discuss activities permitted in the ROW if you still have questions or concerns.

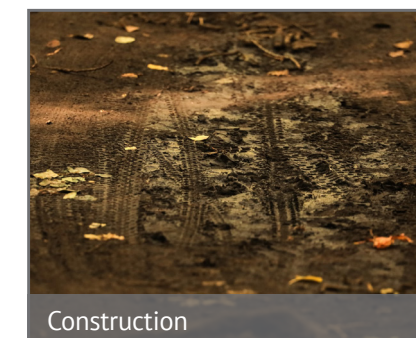
Crop or Property Damage

Minnesota Power is responsible for restoring properties after construction. We're committed to working with you during and after construction to provide accurate compensation for damage. Please contact your land agent if you would like to discuss any crop or property damage concerns you might have.

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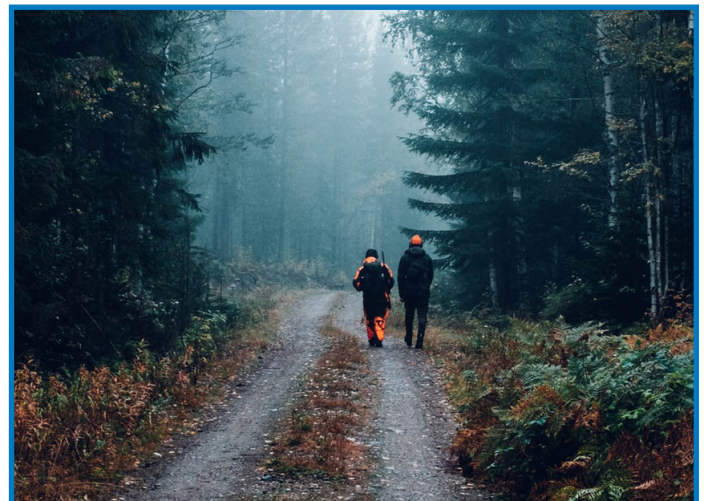


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Safety Spotlight: Hunting

Please be mindful of our crews while you or those on your land are hunting. Safety is our top priority and our goal is to maintain a safe environment for both hunters and our crews. If you are participating this year, please review the project map to better understand whether you will be hunting near construction activities. Because our crews will be working in forested areas with low visibility, we'll be wearing required protective gear, including highly visible clothing. Please remember to:

- Communicate to all hunters using your property that construction crews are working in the area.
- Wear blaze orange.
- Ask hunters to maintain a safe distance from crews and construction equipment.



Hunters wearing blaze orange.